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SUBJ: AIR MAURITANIA REQUEST FOR FAA DC-4 RATING TESTS

REF: A) LAGOS 2045, B) LAGOS 2426, C) NOUAKCHOTT 121

ACTION REQUESTED: FAA RESPOND SOONEST RE POSSIBILITIES OFFERING
SUBJECT RATING TESTS IN US OR ELSEWHERE BEFORE MAY 22.

1. IN RESPONSE QUESTIONS POSED PARA 4 REFTEL A, AIR MAURITANIE-
GIRM RESPOND AS FOLLOWS:

(A) BOTH COSTEMALLE AND LAURENT HAVE TEMPORARY RPT TEMPORARY
THREE- MONTH DC-4 RATINGS ON MAURITANIAN LICENCES. LATTER
ISSUED AS STOPGAP MEASURE BY LOCAL ICAO ADVISOR MILOS SAFRANEK
BASED ON AIR CHAD CERTIFICATION. RATINGS GOOD ONLY
UNTIL MAY 22, AND GIRM DIRTRANSPORT UNWILLING RENEW.
NEITHER PILOT HOLD FRENCH DC-4 RATING.

(B) SECGEN MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT-- WHICH HAS RESPONSIBILITY
FOR CIVIL AVIATION MATTERS-- WOULD BE WILLING SIGN MOA
COMMITTING GIRM PAY ALL FAA COSTS.

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(C) KANE MAMADOU IS NEW DIRGEN AIR MAURITANIE.

2. FYI. REQUEST FOR DC-4 RATING TESTS FOR COSTEMALLE/LAURENT WAS MADE BY AIR MAURITANIE ON BEHALF GIRM. AIR MAURITANIE IS WHOLLY- OWNED BY GIRM. REQUEST MADE ON ADVICE ICAO ADVISOR, WHO NOTES GIRM HAS NO RPT NO FACILITIES ISSUE ITS OWN LICENCES OR VALIDATE FOREIGN LICENCES. VALIDATION/ ISSUANCE NOTED IN 1- A ABOVE WAS DONE ON ONE- TIME EMERGENCY BASIS IN ORDER KEEP AIR MAURITANIE FLYING. THERS, REQUIRES USE OF SIX-TEEN FOOT SINGLE MANUAL HARPSICHORD TUNED 442 PITCH. HARPSICHORD IN THIS PARTICULAR WORK ALSO REQUIRES A CONTACT MIKE AND AMPLIFIER. APPRECIATE EMB EXPLORE THROUGH GOSK AVAILABILITY OF HARPSICHORD FOR SFS DURING THREE-CITY ITINERARY, OR ENTIRE TOUR. SFS CAN BRING ALONG CONTACT MIKE AND AMPLIFIER IF THESE ITEMS NOT AVAILABLE. SFS WILL NOT PLAY THIS WORK ON WESTERN EUROPEAN TOUR. MANAGER SCAFIDI OPTIMISTIC IN HOPE THAT GOSK WILL CONSIDER MAKING HARPSICHORD AVAILABLE TO SFS THUS AVOIDING RISK OF DAMAGE BY CARRYING THIS SENSITIVE INSTRUMENT ON W. E. TOUR, PARTICULARLY SINCE IT WILL NOT BE USED.

3. NUMBER OF UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS TOTAL SEVENTEEN. LIST INCLUDES PRESIDENT SFS ASSOCIATION DAVID PLANT AND WIFE, PHILIP S. BOONE, CHAIRMAN OF SFSA BOARD AND WIFE, MRS. ALEXANDER ALBERT, CHAIRMAN OF SFSA ARTISTIC POLICY COMMITTEE, AND FORMER SFSA PRESIDENT PRENTIS COBB HALE AND WIFE.

4. IN ADDITION TO ABOVE- NAMED VIP' S THERE IS ALSO:

A) OAZWA' S WIFE, INFANT DAUGHTER (AGE EIGHTEEN MONTHS), GOVERNESS AND MOTHER OF MRS. OZAWA;

B) WIFE OF SFS GENERAL MANAGER, JOSEPH SCAFIDI;

C) MOTHER OF ANDRE WATTS;

D) TWO AMERICAN MUSIC CRITICS BASED IN SAN FRANCISCO;

E) TWO ASSISTANTS TO MANAGE SCAFIDI.

5. SEVENTEEN UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS WILL TRAVEL LENINGRAD ON LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SFS CHARTER PAYING A PRO- RATED SHARE OF CHARTER COST.

6. BEST AVAILABLE ACCOMMODATIONS REQUESTED FOR 17 UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS: TWO DOUBLES FOR VIP' S PLANT AND BOONE, ONE DOUBLE IN LENINGRAD ONLY FOR VIP PRENTIS H. COBB AND WIFE, SIX SINGLES, AND ONE DOUBLE FOR MRS. OZAWA AND FAMILY. DOUBLE FOR MRS. OZAWA MUST RPT MUST BE ADJACENT DELUXE

SUITE FOR MAESTRO OZAWA THROUGHOUT ITINERARY.

7. UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS WILL ARRANGE AND PAY FOR TRAVEL FROM CITY TO CITY IN SOVIET UNION THROUGH INTOURIST. IN ADDITION, THEY WILL PAY FOR FOOD AND LODGING INCLUDING MRS. OZAWA AND MRS. SCAFIDI. ALL MEMBERS PREPARED PURCHASE TICKET VOUCHERS THROUGH INTOURIST TO COVER TRAVEL

AND ACCOMMODATIONS, SOON AS DEPT IS INFORMED HOTELS WHERE SFS IS STAYING IN EACH CITY. ACCOMMODATIONS SHOULD BE IN SAME RPT SAME HOTELS WITH SFS OR AN ADJACENT HOTEL.

8. ACCORDING EMB CONTRACT WITH GOSK, NAMES OF HOTELS TO BE FURNISHED BY MAY 15. SFS AND INCLUDING UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS DEPARTING U. S. ON OR ABOUT MAY 12; SFS CONCERT SCHEDULE IN WESTERN EUROPE BEGINS MAY 15. IT THEREFORE IMPORTANT THAT HOTELS FOR SFS IN THREE CITIES BE ESTABLISHED PRIOR TO ORCHESTRA'S MAY 12 DEPARTURE: THE EARLIER THE BETTER. EARLIEST ANNOUNCEMENT OF HOTELS WILL ENABLE UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS MAKE ALL NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS THROUGH INTOURIST. ONLY ALTERNATIVE IS TO HAVE PERSONAL GUARANTEE FROM GOLOVIN THAT ACCOMMODATIONS FOR UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS WILL BE ARRANGED AS REQUESTED; AN ALTERNATIVE WHICH NEITHER DEPT NOR SFS FIND TOO SATISFACTORY. BECAUSE DEPT AWARE THAT MAY IS HOLIDAY PERIOD, WE NOW SEEKING NAME OF HOTELS FOR SFS BY END OF APRIL.

9. FYI: CONSUL GENERAL ZINCHUK OF CONSULATE GENERAL-DESIGNATE IN SAN FRANCISCO IN CONVERSATIONS WITH VIP'S PLANT AND BOONE, HAS OFFERED TO ARRANGE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS. MANAGER SCAFIDI INFORMS DEPT THAT BOONE, WHILE PLEASED OVER ZINCHUK'S ATTENTION, HAS NOT ACCEPTED HIS OFFER OF HELP IN THIS MATTER. DEPT HAS ASSURED SCAFIDI THAT GOLOVIN, AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR GOSK, WHO RESPONSIBLE FOR SFS ARRANGEMENTS, WILL DO ALL POSSIBLE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BLE ASSURE APPROPRIATE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS. APPRECIATE EMB DO ALL POSSIBLE RECEIVE NAMES OF HOTELS FROM GOLOVIN, PREFERABLY BEFORE END OF APRIL, IN ORDER ELIMINATE INCREASING PRESSURES FROM ZINCHUK IN THIS MATTER AS WELL AS ACCOMMODATE NEEDS OF UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS. END FYI.

10. ADVISE PRIORITY. ROGERS

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